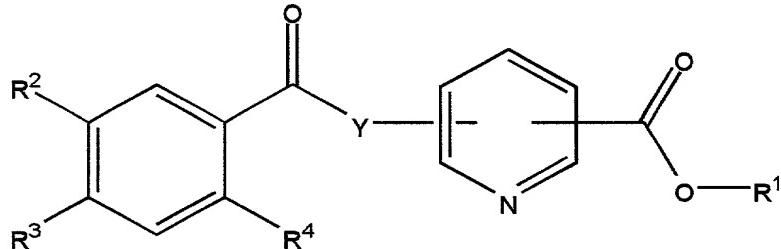


ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to a method of administering a compound of Formula I:



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Formula I

wherein

- R¹ is hydrogen or C₁₋₆-alkyl;
- 10 R² is C₁₋₆-alkyl or adamantyl;
- R³ is C₁₋₆-alkyl or hydroxy; or
- R² and R³ taken together are -(CR⁶R⁷)_n-;
- R⁴ is C₂₋₈-alkyl, C₂₋₈-alkenyl, C₂₋₈-alkynyl, -OCH₂R⁵ or C₂₋₈-alkanoyl, or hydrogen when R³ is hydroxy;
- 15 R⁵ is C₁₋₆-alkyl, C₂₋₆-alkenyl or C₂₋₆-alkynyl;
- R⁶ and R⁷ are hydrogen or C₁₋₆-alkyl;
- Y is oxygen or sulfur; and
- n is 3, 4, or 5,
- or a pharmaceutically acceptable salts of carboxylic acid of formula I,
- 20 wherein said method comprises the step of admixing said compound in solid form with a topical carrier to form a topical formulation within seven days prior to first topical administration of said compound.

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